GRADUATE HOMELAND SECURITY TRACK PROGRAM

he threat of terror and the posture to withstand its incursion is a salient issue facing American security. Trained, educated and intellectually sophisticated specialists compose the front lines of defense in the ongoing resistance to forces that attempt to undermine the American way of life. California University of PA's acute understanding of this extraordinary need in contemporary society has led to the creation of the Homeland Security track in Legal Studies.

Day to day, dedicated civil servants serve the needs of so many, so often that the additional variable of terrorism cannot always be the primary consideration. Homeland Security training allows justice professionals, health specialists and legal specialists to concentrate on the methodology of security in this narrow context. Aside from the recurring demands of professional justice duty, Homeland Security delivers another perspective to harried and often over-tasked public servants. It presents a neat and clean track that prepares supervisory personnel to tackle the many challenges inherent in the protection of a nation.

THE PROGRAM DELIVERS GRADUATE EDUCATION WITH THREE PRIMARY OBJECTIVES IN MIND:

- Develop strategies, plans and programs to prevent terrorist attacks within the United States, and reduce America's vulnerability to terrorism;
- Build the organizational arrangements needed to strengthen Homeland Security (HS), including Local/State/Federal, civil-military and interagency cooperation; and
- Help government leaders make immediate as well as longer-term improve ments in HS preparedness, by having their students conduct policy development work on "real world," actionable opportunities for progress.

"We are today a Nation at risk to a new and changing threat. The terrorist threat to America takes many forms, has many places to hide, and is often invisible. Yet the need for homeland security is not tied solely to today's terrorist threat. The need for homeland security is tied to our enduring vulnerability. Terrorists wish to attack us and exploit our vulnerabilities because of the freedoms we hold dear."

(Office of Homeland Security, National Strategy for Homeland Security at the letter from the President of the United States (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2002))



ADMISSION AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

- A bachelor's degree from a four-year accredited college or university.
- A minimum 3.0 undergraduate grade point average, based on a 4.0 scale.
- Acceptance to the School of Graduate Studies and Research.
- A phone or e-mail interview with the Program Coordinator may be requested to determine potential for success in the web-based learning environment.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS: CORE COURSES: 15 HOURS LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY

LAW AND ETHICS

LAW, CIVIL LIBERTIES AND THE CONSTITUTION

LAW AND LEGAL METHOD

LAW AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

HOMELAND SECURITY SPECIALIZATION: 12 HOURS U.S. HOMELAND SECURITY

TERRORISM, THREAT & VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS & PROTECTION

BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL, NUCLEAR & WMD THREATS IN HOMELAND SECURITY

INTELLIGENCE PRACTICE IN HOMELAND SECURITY

HOMELAND SECURITY ELECTIVES: 9 OR 10 HOURS LAW AND POLICE PROCESS

LAW, PUNISHMENT AND CORRECTIONS

LAW AND CRIMINAL CONDUCT

LAW AND CIVIL LITIGATION

LAW, CULTURE AND SOCIETY

LAW, JUSTICE AND THE FAMILY

LAW AND ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES

LAW, SCIENCE AND FORENSIC APPLICATIONS

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